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### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 21, 2009

Mr. Thune (for himself, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Begich, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Burr, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Cochran, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Demint, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Martinez, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Vitter, and Mr. Wicker) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Respecting States
- 3 Rights and Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2009".
- 4 SEC. 2. RECIPROCITY FOR THE CARRYING OF CERTAIN
- 5 CONCEALED FIREARMS.
- 6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 44 of title 18, United
- 7 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 926C
- 8 the following:
- 9 "§ 926D. Reciprocity for the carrying of certain con-
- 10 cealed firearms
- 11 "Notwithstanding any provision of the law of any
- 12 State or political subdivision thereof:
- "(1) A person who is not prohibited by Federal
- law from possessing, transporting, shipping, or re-
- 15 ceiving a firearm, and is carrying a valid license or
- permit which is issued pursuant to the law of any
- 17 State and which permits the person to carry a con-
- cealed firearm, may carry a concealed firearm in ac-
- 19 cordance with the terms of the license or permit in
- any State that allows its residents to carry concealed
- 21 firearms, subject to the laws of the State in which
- 22 the firearm is carried concerning specific types of lo-
- cations in which firearms may not be carried.
- 24 "(2) A person who is not prohibited by Federal
- law from possessing, transporting, shipping, or re-
- ceiving a firearm, and is otherwise than as described

- 1 in paragraph (1) entitled to carry a concealed fire-
- 2 arm in and pursuant to the law of the State in
- 3 which the person resides, may carry a concealed fire-
- 4 arm in accordance with the laws of the State in
- 5 which the person resides in any State that allows its
- 6 residents to carry concealed firearms, subject to the
- 7 laws of the State in which the firearm is carried con-
- 8 cerning specific types of locations in which firearms
- 9 may not be carried.".
- 10 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
- 11 for chapter 44 of title 18 is amended by inserting after
- 12 the item relating to section 926C the following:

"926D. Reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.".

#### 13 SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 14 The amendments made by this Act shall take effect
- 15 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

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